

A few rods farther down the road leading past this place and toward Long Hill in Bridgewater, Miss Elizabeth Billings found the Blue Fringed Gentian growing.

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ARCEUTHOBIMUM IN THE RANGELEY REGION.—While walking along the line of the South Bog Railroad, in the township of Rangeley Plantation, Maine, I passed through a considerable quantity of Black Spruce. A few of the trees had suspicious-looking “witches’ brooms” on them, which proved on investigation to contain *Arceuthobium pusillum* Peck. Very few of the trees, however, were thus affected. The nearest recorded station for this species so far as I know is in Pleasant Ridge Township, about forty miles to the east of the one reported here.—JOHN MURDOCH, JR., Harvard Forestry Expedition.

NOTE ON *CIRSIIUM MUTICUM*, VAR. *MONTICOLA*.—In the Ottawa Naturalist, I recently described the alpine thistle of the Shickshock Mountains, and inadvertently placed it in *Cnicus*, a genus which, as now everywhere interpreted, consists of the single species, *Cnicus benedictus*, the Blessed Thistle. The plant of the Shickshock Mountains should bear the name

CIRSIIUM MUTICUM Michx., var. **monticola**, n. comb.—*Cnicus muticus*, var. *monticola* Fernald, Ottawa Nat. xix. 166 (1905).—Explorations during the past summer showed that on Mt. Albert this plant abounds throughout the serpentine area, descending from the alpine meadows, in the gorge of Ruisseau à la Neige, nearly to Lac au Diable at an altitude of 550 meters; while it is apparently quite absent from the hornblende district of the mountain. It was also found on Table-topped Mountain, in a single alpine meadow whose mixed soil supported *Danthonia intermedia*, *Solidago multiradiata*, and a few other plants, which in the Shickshock Mountains have their great development on the serpentine.—M. L. FERNALD, Gray Herbarium.

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